

**COMMENT OF  
THE DAY**

**Homes For Fire  
Victims**

GOVERNMENT'S new plans for rehousing the victims of last month's squatter fire at Kowloon Tong may appear to be unfair to those victims of the Christmas fire at Shek Kip Mei who have found temporary accommodation with relatives and friends or who have been able to afford temporary lodgings pending resettlement. For under the new scheme, their rehousing has been postponed. Government has decided to redistribute the accommodation originally intended for these 18,000 people to provide homes for victims of the more recent Kowloon Tong fire, now living in meagre shelters in the streets of Shamshuipo. But if fairness is to be the criterion of this decision it can be argued equally well that Government is at least ensuring that all 78,000 victims of the two fires are reasonably quartered as soon as possible—whether by their own efforts or by Government resettlement. Indeed it is difficult to see how this redistribution could be avoided short of leaving many thousands in deplorably inadequate street shelters. And this is a state of affairs which cannot be allowed to continue indefinitely. These temporary shelters are unhygienic. They do not give anything like sufficient protection or even reasonable facilities for a family. They are an unfortunate eyesore in a community already densely populated. These conditions have obviously influenced Government to do away with the street shelters—which were always only a temporary expedient—as soon as possible. It is noted that the ultimate resettlement of the Shek Kip Mei fire victims has only been postponed; that accommodation will be provided for them just as soon as the buildings have been completed. There is one danger, however: these squatter area fires have occurred frequently in recent years. The disaster strikes suddenly and spreads swiftly despite the greatest precautions taken by the fire services. If another fire should occur before the rehousing of the balance of the Shek Kip Mei and Kowloon Tong victims has been completed, Government should assure the former that their resettlement will not be postponed again.

**Moscow Party**

MR Malenkov's stupendous party for the visiting British Labour group should fool no one. It is a naive attempt to show the world in what high esteem the Russians hold the visiting British delegation. Because it was so grossly overdone it is more likely to make the Russians a laughing stock than anything else. Show the hand of friendship, of course! But does Mr Attlee or Mr Bevan figure so prominently in Malenkov's mind that he should forsake his monastic existence in the Kremlin to make one of his rare public appearances? Or was Dr Edith Summerskill the attraction? He personally picked a posy of red, white and blue flowers for her—really. Mr Malenkov, at your age! Was the perfume you found in her room yours, too? It is said 18 toasts were drunk at the dinner party. If it was Xmas Eve every time, we'll bet the speeches were cordial.

**ANOTHER BIG PARTY FOR ATTLEE**

**U.K. Ambassador Host To  
Malenkov, Labour Group  
LONG TALKS AFTER DINNER**

By FRASER WIGHTON  
Reuter's Special Correspondent

Moscow, Aug. 12.  
Mr Georgi Malenkov and Soviet leaders last night discussed "peaceful co-existence," East-West trade and other outstanding issues for two hours with the British Labour Party delegation.

The Soviet Premier spent five hours at the British Embassy, where he dined with Mr Clement Attlee's group as guests of Sir William Hayter, the British Ambassador.

It was the first visit of a Soviet Premier to the Embassy since the late Joseph Stalin conferred with Sir Winston Churchill there during the war.

After the dinner, the Soviet leaders and the British delegation of eight split up into small groups in the Embassy's richly decorated "white room," to discuss world affairs.

Mr Malenkov and his Foreign Minister, Mr Vyacheslav Molotov, joined Mr Anurin Bevan, leader of the Labour Party's left wing; Mr Morgan Phillips, Party Secretary, Dr Edith Summerskill and Mr Wilfred Burke, Party Chairman, for private talks.

**'Just As Jovial As Last Night's'**

Mr Burke said afterwards, "It was just as jolly as last night (when the delegation were dinner guests of Mr Malenkov)—may be more so. In some cases our discussion was more detailed than last night."

During the dinner Mr Nikita Khrushchev, Soviet Communist Party First Secretary, said in a toast: "The Soviet Union does not wish to interfere in other people's affairs."

Mr Malenkov sat at Mr Attlee's right and Mr Nikita Khrushchev, the Communist Party Secretary, at his left.

Mr Molotov sat at the right hand of the Ambassador, Sir William Hayter, who was tonight's host.

**INFORMAL OCCASION**

The occasion was informal—no one dressed for dinner and the talks were gay and punctuated with laughter as the champagne flowed.

**Premier Toasts "Co-existence"**

An Embassy official said about eight toasts were drunk, but there were no toasts for Queen Elizabeth or the Soviet President.

Mr Malenkov proposed "co-existence" and Mr Attlee followed with a toast "For Anglo-Soviet friendship."

It was understood that Mr Attlee and Mr Malenkov did not at any time have a private discussion, but they were dinner table partners and talked to each other constantly during the meal.

**TO SOVIET WOMEN**

Dr Summerskill proposed a toast "to Soviet women."

According to guests, the sentiments expressed in the toasts and the discussion afterwards consisted of a conventional re-statement of Soviet Government policy and no new policies emerged.

Mr Morgan Phillips told Reuter after the dinner: "I think the net result of our talks has been a better understanding of the role and the responsibilities of the respective political parties in Britain and the Soviet Union."

"We have had in our two days' stay in Moscow a frank and free exchange of opinion. I think in consequence of that we understand each other very much better than we did before."

**NO INHIBITION**

Mr Phillips added: "It is too early to formalise opinions because the Labour delegation has not yet had the opportunity to meet in order to arrive at a collective opinion. But there has been no inhibition either on the part of the delegation or of the representatives of the Soviet Union to express quite freely their point of view."

**UNIVERSITY VISIT**

During the afternoon, the delegation had visited Moscow University, where they were received by the Rector, Professor Vovchenko.

It was the end of the Labour Party delegation's second day in Moscow.

Mr Malenkov's presence at the Embassy dinner table was a signal tribute to the importance attached by the Russians to the Attlee visit.

**CHURCHILL APPROVED**

The dinner at the Embassy was believed to have been approved personally by the Prime Minister, Sir Winston Churchill, and a report of last night's discussion between Mr Malenkov and the Labour leaders has already been sent by the British Ambassador to the Foreign Office in London.

Mr Molotov, Mr Attlee and other guests tonight ate around a big mahogany table under portraits of England's kings and queens. The atmosphere was warm and cordial.

Mr Harry Franklin, President of the British National Union of Railwaymen, commented on his talks with Russians said: "If the various people

I have talked to are an example of the man in the street, they are afraid of war and want peace."

Mr Bevan, asked for his impressions of the Soviet Prime Minister, said he considered Mr Malenkov "much better looking than his photograph."

Mr Bevan described Mr Malenkov as "charming, very clever and gay" and said that the Soviet leader's mental qualities also impressed him.

Mr Attlee considered the Soviet Prime Minister "very capable."

The Labour delegation leaves Moscow for China tomorrow night in a special plane provided by the Soviet Government.

They will spend two days on the journey to Peking, staying overnight at the Siberian town of Irkutsk.

The delegation's tentative programme for tomorrow includes a visit to the Kremlin and to the Lenin-Stalin mausoleum in Red Square.

there were many from the Peoples Democracies, but only a few French students from the Sorbonne University in Paris represented Western Europe.

Asked what their foreign students must study, Professor Vovchenko said: "The students take part in regular courses and the lectures are compulsory."

**WHY COMPULSORY**

Asked by Mr Attlee which subjects were compulsory for all students, the Rector said the philosophy must be taken and

**Malenkov  
The Women's  
Champion**

Moscow, Aug. 11.

Mr Malenkov and Dr Edith Summerskill, only woman in the Labour delegation, figured as the joint champions of women's education. Mr Malenkov told her: "What has been wrong too often in the world of education is that men have been too 'imperialistic' and women often too modest."

Dr Summerskill informed Mr Malenkov she had found in Moscow University that afternoon that 51 per cent of the students were women and 49 per cent were men. She said she was told that soon there would be more women.

Dr Summerskill commented: "You approve this, don't you?" Mr Malenkov answered "wholeheartedly."

"Mr Malenkov told her 'women have been oppressed too long. It is no good trying to establish equality in the State without helping women in the first place.'"

this subject included "the history of dialectical materialism."

Asked by Mr Bevan why all lectures were compulsory, Professor Vovchenko replied: "This is a planned economy. It requires students to learn their jobs and take their exams on time. Moreover the State pays for their education."

Asked whether Moscow University was anxious for student exchanges with non-Communist countries, the Rector said: "We welcome cultural exchanges with other countries on the broadest possible scale."—Reuter.

**Young Pilot's Daredevil Flight  
Through Two Thames Bridges**

London, Aug. 11.

Lunch hour crowds on the Thames Embankment gasped today when a small aircraft zoomed low between the uprights of Tower Bridge.

Then they held their breath as it flew low over the river, which was at its highest level, and under the main span of London Bridge.

Ministry of Aviation officials and police were soon trying to trace the name of the daredevil pilot—believed to have been a young American who lives in London.

Last May a 61-year-old World War One pilot, Major Christopher Draper, known affectionately as the "Mad Major", flew a similar aircraft under 15 Thames bridges to prove he was not too old for employment. His licence was suspended after the exploit, but he got it back later.

Today the aircraft, a single-engine high wing monoplane, swooped low over the Tower Bridge roadway, 30 feet above the river, and under the foot-bridge more than 100 feet above.

**While 'Mildred' Blazed, Rescuers Argued**



This picture shows the Norwegian ship "Mildred" aground on the beach at Felixstowe on Britain's East Coast. The "Mildred" carrying a cargo of wood pulp caught fire following an explosion in her engine room. The tug "Turmoil" (of "Flying Enterprise" fame) and the fishing smack "Gal Floreal" went to her assistance. Both rescue ships put lines aboard and claimed the salvage of the vessel. During the argument which ensued, both vessels were at one time pulling the "Mildred" in different directions! Eventually, the "Mildred" still blazing was towed to Felixstowe and beached, but the salvage problem still remains.—Express Photo.

**THE BATTLE OF WORDS CONTINUES:**

**'We Won't Allow Marchers  
In' Says Goa's Governor**

Panjim, Goa, Aug. 11.

The Governor General of Goa declared today his police force and Army had orders to prevent "volunteers" from India entering this Portuguese Colony next Sunday.

The Governor General, Paulo Bernard Guedes, told foreign correspondents he was prepared to meet force with force or peace with peace, in the threatened march on Goa on the seventh anniversary of India's independence from Britain.

But he emphasised that the marchers could not gain free entry to Goa and the armed forces had orders to keep them out.

He said that if the marchers came peacefully they would be treated accordingly, and if they came armed they could expect trouble.

He explained that the nationalist movement in respect to Goa was different from that which brought India her independence, because the "march on Goa" would be into foreign territory, whereas Indian nationalists were residents of the country they ultimately freed.

**STRUGGLE CONTINUING**

Senior Guedes said the struggle for Nagar Haveli, another Portuguese enclave, was still going on, according to reports he had received. He noted that even Indian press reports said the Portuguese forces had recaptured some towns.

He said 35 persons from the Indian town of Vapi had gone

to Solvassa in Nagar Haveli several days ago to celebrate and had not yet returned to Vapi. He said this indicated that they might have been captured or injured in the battle to retake the town.

He said there had been no trouble at Dili and the population there was mobilising to help the Portuguese government.

**BRAZIL VOLUNTEERS?**

"An unconfirmed dispatch from Karwar, Goa, said 'hundreds' of Brazilian volunteers had landed there to help the Portuguese. The report said they landed on Anjevida Island, two miles off Karwar, from the ship Vera Cruz. In Rio de Janeiro, Portuguese Embassy sources said they had no knowledge of such a landing."

Senior Guedes denied as "entirely untrue" Indian press reports of conscription in Goa. He said there had been "no conscription in Goa in 400 years".

Many men volunteered in the present emergency, he said, and they were enrolled in the reserve police for relief duties in the cities when the regular police were sent to the frontier. The reserves, he said, would not be used in any armed struggle.

Senior Guedes said there had been only 42 political arrests of which 21 were freed.

**Empire's  
Top Army  
Chiefs  
Summoned**

London Talks  
On SEATO

London, Aug. 11.  
Top military chiefs from the British Commonwealth have been called to a conference next week in which Southeast Asian defence and the withdrawal of British forces from the Suez Canal Zone are expected to figure prominently.

The meeting, called by Field Marshal Sir John Harding, Chief of the Imperial General Staff, is scheduled to open on August 18 and last three days, it was officially stated today.

The gathering of the military leaders comes on the eve of the important Southeast Asia defence conference, due to start early next month in Baguio in the Philippines to draft a defence organisation against further advance of Communism in Asia. A statement on the conference date is expected on Saturday.

Officially it is described as a regular annual conference with the Chief of the Imperial General Staff. It will be at the Military Staff College in Cambridge, near London.

Special attention attaches to the presence of Lt-General Sir Sydney Rowell, chief of the Australian General Staff.

General Rowell discussed SEATO with Field Marshal Harding at the five-power military staff talks in Washington last month. Australia has made it known she attaches the greatest importance to a Southeast Asia defence organisation which she considers could be a powerful deterrent against Communist aggression.

An 80-page document on the military aspects of a SEATO defence organisation was reported to have emerged from the Washington military talks. It is to be reviewed at the forthcoming military meeting in London and has been considered at the full SEATO conference with American, French and other participants.

One of the important issues under consideration is the question of the disposal of forces in Southeast Asia under SEATO in the event of an emergency.—United Press.

**Dr John Branded  
A Traitor**

Bonn, Aug. 11.

The West German Government today called Dr Otto John a "traitor" in a statement on a press conference given by the former West German Security Chief in East Berlin.

The Government said: "The latest statements by Dr John confirm that since he disappeared from the Federal Republic, he serves Communist propaganda and acts as a traitor to the Federal Republic."—Reuter.

**Parfums Schiaparelli**  
The advertisement features a large, stylized illustration of a woman's face and upper body, wearing a hat and a long coat. The text 'Parfums Schiaparelli' is prominently displayed in a large, elegant font. Below the illustration, there is a smaller text block mentioning 'The new fragrance' and 'The new perfume'.



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# Eden May Attend South-East Asia Conference

London, Aug. 11.

It was now considered certain here that the South-east Asia Defence Conference will open at Baguio in the Philippines on September 8 and that it will be conducted on foreign ministerial level, at least by some of the participant countries.

Those expected to attend are Britain, France, the United States, Australia, New Zealand, Thailand and Pakistan.

Informed sources stated today that the individual members of the conference would each make a separate announcement of the convening of the conference.

Indications here are that British Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden would head the British delegation.

British official circles are studying the very important nature of the conference, but an official communiqué laying down the details is still awaited.

These circles here pointed out that there was no question of any inviting powers as far as the conference was concerned and that all those attending will have the same status.

**EXCHANGING VIEWS**

Britain is exchanging views with the Colombo Conference Powers and with France, Australia and New Zealand on subjects to be discussed by the conference.

The United States is keeping in close touch with Thailand and the Philippines in the same way.

Whitehall sources said that although no agenda was indicated, earlier talks had cleared up essential aspects.

The Anglo-American study group in Washington has gone into military details and representatives of the five of the powers have been meeting in Washington since early July.

Procedural questions have thus been largely settled — France-Press.

**ANNOUNCEMENT**

London, Aug. 11.

The British Government hopes to be able to announce shortly the details of the proposed conference on South-east Asian defence, it was learned officially here today.

Yesterday, US Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said that he hoped that the nations interested in the South-east Asian pact would publish a declaration on the subject before the end of the week.

The Foreign Office here today said, "We, too, hope that a declaration will be made as soon as possible."

**PEACE OFFENSIVES**

Nakasone said the recently intensified "peace offensives" of the two Communist nations were more extensive in scale than was generally believed in Japan.

This calls for greater counteracting efforts by the Japanese to settle their own ideological and other problems, he said.

The Progressive legislature also said that the existence of the China Kai-shek regime on Formosa, which Japan recognises as the bona fide Government of China, and the mutual security pact between Japan and the United States appeared to worry the authorities in Peking.

He did not, however, elaborate on this point.

Another Progressive, Sunao Sonoda, expressed his belief that Japan might be able to normalise relations with Soviet Russia earlier than with Red China. He did not give the reasons for his belief. — United Press.

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# Vietnam Refugee



Following the cease-fire in Indo-China, refugees are now flocking in thousands from Northern to Southern Vietnam. Once again the problem of feeding and sheltering these homeless people confronts the world. Here a mother carrying her young baby passes through a control point at Haiphong. — Express Photo.

# UNITED STATES ASSISTANCE FOR VIETNAM

Washington, Aug. 11.

Vietnam's new envoy here said today that he had been assured by the Secretary of State, John Foster Dulles, of American assistance to turn the Indo-China armistice "disaster" to some advantage for South Vietnam.

"The Secretary told me that the United States is not losing sight of Vietnam but, on the contrary, expects to be able to help," said the Ambassador designate, Tran Van Chuong, after calling on Mr. Dulles.

Mr. Chuong apparently had economic and technical assistance in mind. He evaded the question of South Vietnam's participation in any defence treaty when reporters raised the point.

There is a "possibility" that South Vietnam might be able to attend a meeting in Baguio or elsewhere in South-east Asia to discuss a regional defence alliance, Mr. Chuong said, but he added: "I have no information on that."

Mr. Chuong succeeds Tran Van Kien, former Vietnamese Ambassador. He called on Mr. Dulles to arrange for the presentation of his credentials to President Eisenhower on Monday. He stayed for 20 minutes, a little longer than usual for protocol visits of this sort.

Speaking in French through an interpreter, Mr. Chuong told reporters that he drew Mr. Dulles' attention to current conditions in Vietnam. — United Press.

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# Bulgarian Town Officials Hotly Criticised

Referring to Michelhaue as a "neo-Nazi," the AIC noted that he is also Deputy Minister-President and head of the Free Democratic Party in North Rhine-Westphalia but said, "His appointment is particularly shocking in view of his frank use of anti-Semitism for Nazi-like ends."

The AIC and Michelhaue were in "brotherly agreement" on the viability of the Nazi Party, but GHS in 1982 he said he had given "continued" support to them in Germany North and political work.

"With Michelhaue's...  
...and ...























# HE FINDS BULLS TAME AFTER THE JUNGLE

8,000 miles  
ride to help  
with harvest

**H**ADRIAN Hyde, a 24-year-old Merchant Navy officer, finds the bulls on his brother's farm at Woodbridge (Suffolk) very tame. He is spending a "working holiday" there after riding home on his motorcycle nearly 8,000 miles from Capetown, South Africa.

His companion as far as home was 23-year-old Australian Merchant Navy engineer Peter Burrows.

"We camped in the jungle until we got to Sudan and were often scared by the animals that prowled around our fire at night," Mr Hyde said.

"We slung our hammocks between the trees and slept with a revolver and a rifle at our sides. We were too tired to keep watch because of the heat. In South Africa the roads were little better than tracks and 100 miles was eight hours' hard riding."

## WORST EXPERIENCE

"Our most frightening experience was when we were surrounded by a herd of buffalo."

Mr Hyde was serving as third officer on a ship based at Melbourne, Australia, when he first thought of making the trip. For two years he was unable to find a suitable companion and then his friend, Peter Burrows, volunteered to go with him.

They took a ship from Melbourne to Capetown on March 20 and began the tour from the Cape on April 16 on two motor-cycles which they had bought secondhand in Australia for £130 each. They carried all their camping equipment, clothes, food and fuel. They travelled 6,000 miles through South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Tanganyika, Sudan and Egypt. Because of the rains during June in Sudan they were unable to use the roads and had to make part of their journey up the Nile by paddle steamer.

"We were surprised to find the Egyptian villagers friendly, although we had heard they were English and Australian," said Mr Hyde. "They refreshed us with black tea, and always went to great trouble to put us on the right route."

On June 17 they went by ship to Naples. In Italy they worked on a farm while waiting for a fortnight for Mr Burrows's fiancée, Miss Grace Ingram, to arrive by ship from Melbourne.

"I have left Peter and Grace touring Europe, but they will arrive in England in a few weeks and go to be married this month," said Mr Hyde.

The whole trip cost £325 for food, petrol, maintenance, accommodation and ship fares."

After helping with the harvest Mr Hyde is going on a three-month course before taking his first mate's examination.

## Shadow Over Shipyards

**L**ondon, Aug. 11. Although construction in British shipbuilding yards has reached a two-year peak, there is a big shadow over the industry and its 200,000 workers.

A startling drop in future orders is disclosed in Lloyd's Register shipbuilding returns, issued recently.

In six months, the orders booked by British yards have fallen by more than 400,000 tons. There had already been about the same drop spread over the previous 18 months.

The total of ships under construction and preparing (plans approved or material ordered) is below the 4,000,000-ton mark.

## TWO-FIFTHS

Britain is still building two-fifths of the world's tonnage but many orders are going to the Continent. German yards, up another 35,480 tons this quarter, are now building nearly twice as much shipping as the United States.

Five ships can be built on the Continent for the price of four in this country. It is estimated by Mr Basil M. Mavrolo, head of London and Overseas Freighters.

Because contracts placed here are subject to increases in labour and material costs, the estimated cost of six tankers being built for the company is already nearly £2,000,000 up on the original estimate price.



Mr Hadrian Hyde waves hello as he arrives in London on the last stage of his journey from Melbourne to Woodbridge, Suffolk.

## Murder Stories Now Appearing In Soviet Papers

Moscow, Aug. 11.

The Soviet newspaper reader finds that murder stories are a new feature in "Pravda" now that the death penalty has been restored in the Soviet Union.

Capital punishment—death by shooting in Russia—came back by a special decree on April 30. Before that, a sentence of 25 years' imprisonment was the normal maximum sentence for murder.

The change was announced as the answer to widespread public appeals. Judges, previously permitted to award the death sentence only for espionage and treason, were powerless to oppose it.

Now that the death penalty is back, the newspapers are stressing that violent crime will bring violent punishment. Death sentences have been reported at regular intervals since capital punishment was restored. Reports have appeared in Pravda, the Communist party newspaper, as well as in provincial newspapers.

## APPROVAL

Murder stories are usually published in the Soviet Press under the headline: "Murderer Sentenced to Death." The reports invariably end: "Citizens present at the trial expressed their approval of the decision."

For some months, Soviet newspapers have been emphasizing that "crime does not pay." A drive is on against juvenile delinquency, drunkenness and hoodlums.

Several of the recently convicted murderers were described as "hardened criminals," released by last year's amnesty from prison sentences for other crimes.

The latest murder story featured in the Moscow newspapers reported the death sentence, before a firing squad, for Alexander Puchkov, who was freed from prison only shortly before he committed murder.

## LOATHSOME FIGURE

The Pravda report said that Puchkov attempted to rape a village girl, then slashed her face with a razor and finally strangled her.

There stood out the loathsome figure of an inveterate criminal, Pravda commented, and stressed the fact that the death sentence was final and not subject to appeal.

At Ashkhabad, an unnamed criminal, Dzhangirov Sulhali, was sentenced to be shot after stabbing a woman to death with a knife.

In Azerbaijan, the "hardened criminal," Anzaga Khelloy, was sentenced to death for robbing and killing the headmaster of a school.

## I.M.F. More Confident Over European Trade And Convertibility

Washington, Aug. 11.

The International Monetary Fund reports that "satisfying progress" has been made in Europe toward convertibility of currencies and expansion of world trade.

"Provided these indications of policies, coming from those who have been debtors and those who have been creditors, are implemented appropriately by both sides, the prospect of further definite progress is good," it added in its fifth report on "exchange restrictions."

"Certain countries are now contemplating further relaxations when the results of those already made are seen."

"Altogether, the conditions for convertibility and expansion of multilateral trade have been more progressively and actively prepared during the past year than at any time since the Fund was established."

The Fund's assessment agreed substantially with the views of Mr Harold Stassen, United States Foreign Operations Administrator, who told a press conference that Europe's trade had increased so much in the last year that he expected limited convertibility would come soon.

## INFLUENCE

The Fund said the attitude of many countries in considering further moves to end trade and convertibility restrictions was of necessity being influenced by their judgment of economic conditions in the United States.

The fact that a number of countries have thus far been able to maintain satisfactory levels of exports to the United States despite the reduction in United States output and income is an encouraging sign of the improved international positions of these countries.

The trend towards the removal of trade and payments barriers in 1953 and early 1954 was not simply a short-term policy reflecting increased reserves and improved balance of payments, the Fund said.

## COMMITMENT

Governments have publicly committed themselves to a long-term policy of expanding trade and removing restrictions for the attainment of convertibility.

This was the outstanding feature of 1953 and it was encouraged by the greatly improved balance of payments positions of most of these countries and by the general

stability in international trade and payments.

But it pointed out that a large number of restrictive devices remained in the hands of most of its member countries.

"While most countries enjoyed internal stability, a number of others were still trying to cope with economic and financial difficulties which had started in earlier years, particularly at the end of the Korean boom and in these countries the predominant difficulty was that of inflation."

"The latter countries deployed familiar restrictive devices to try to safeguard their positions, and in some cases the application of these devices gave rise to new difficulties."

"The Fund urged these countries to stabilise their currencies, and it assisted some of them by providing technical assistance for direct financial assistance."

"Others had temporary balance of payments setbacks, that showed signs of being covered by the application of sound financial measures coupled, in certain instances, with Fund assistance."

World economic conditions, the Fund reported, were generally auspicious. — China Mail Special.

## World Rubber Markets

Singapore, Aug. 11. Further selling and liquidation from Federation centres caused prices to sag again today. There was little support from overseas. Future closings: No. 1 rubber per lb. 23.00-23.10, No. 2 22.80-22.90, No. 3 22.60-22.70, No. 4 22.40-22.50, No. 5 22.20-22.30, No. 6 22.00-22.10, No. 7 21.80-21.90, No. 8 21.60-21.70, No. 9 21.40-21.50, No. 10 21.20-21.30, No. 11 21.00-21.10, No. 12 20.80-20.90, No. 13 20.60-20.70, No. 14 20.40-20.50, No. 15 20.20-20.30, No. 16 20.00-20.10, No. 17 19.80-19.90, No. 18 19.60-19.70, No. 19 19.40-19.50, No. 20 19.20-19.30, No. 21 19.00-19.10, No. 22 18.80-18.90, No. 23 18.60-18.70, No. 24 18.40-18.50, No. 25 18.20-18.30, No. 26 18.00-18.10, No. 27 17.80-17.90, No. 28 17.60-17.70, No. 29 17.40-17.50, No. 30 17.20-17.30, No. 31 17.00-17.10, No. 32 16.80-16.90, No. 33 16.60-16.70, No. 34 16.40-16.50, No. 35 16.20-16.30, No. 36 16.00-16.10, No. 37 15.80-15.90, No. 38 15.60-15.70, No. 39 15.40-15.50, No. 40 15.20-15.30, No. 41 15.00-15.10, No. 42 14.80-14.90, No. 43 14.60-14.70, No. 44 14.40-14.50, No. 45 14.20-14.30, No. 46 14.00-14.10, No. 47 13.80-13.90, No. 48 13.60-13.70, No. 49 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## THE WORKING DAY

RUTH looked so neat and well turned out that you might have thought she was one of those fortunate women with all the time in the world for taking care of her appearance and ample money to spend on making the best of herself.

### AN EARLY START

HER working day starts at 4.30 a.m. when she gets up to organise breakfast for her two children, her husband, her ailing mother of 75, and her crippled father, 80.

By 6 a.m. Ruth is in the West End, reporting for duty as a cleaner in a great official building. Her job there involves the middle of the morning, and Ruth hurries away, not to her home, but to another job, as a counter-hand in a cafe.

Ruth is free then—except that when she gets home there is a meal to be made for the family, and the children to be got to bed, and the housework.

### DON'T WORRY

AT the end of the week, she brings back two pay-packets. The money totals £5 18s. 2d. That with the £3 her husband gives her from what he earns, provides just about enough to keep the home going for the three generations that share it.

The other morning, Ruth's mother's illness took a turn for the worse. "You'd better not go out today," Ruth said to her, as she prepared to leave for work.

"But who'll buy the things?" Ruth's mother asked. Her role in the household included the shopping. "We've nothing in for tonight's meal," the old lady said.

"Now don't you worry," said Ruth. "I'll look after that."

As she was leaving her job that afternoon one of the cafe's security men asked to see what was in the shopping bag she was carrying. Horrified, Ruth opened the bag for him. Inside was 14s. worth of the cafe's food—tomatoes, ham, cheese, chocolate biscuits—that she had stolen for her family's supper.

At Bow Street, next morning, Ruth pleaded guilty to the theft. A policeman told the story to Mr. R. H. Blundell, and when he had done that went on to speak with admiration that he made no effort to hide of all that Ruth did for her family.

"I'm very sorry," said Ruth, who at 32, has a girl's beauty still, "I didn't want my mother to worry."

Mr. Blundell sent her to see Miss Hamilton, the probation officer, who later brought Ruth back, and herself went into the witness-box.

### SACRIFICE

"I'm not often in this court," said Miss Hamilton, "that one encounters such self-sacrifice as there is in this case. I don't think this woman thinks of herself at all. She has given her husband everything they can for the old people and for the children."

Ruth was conditionally discharged, and went away. She would have more leisure now for the cafe job was gone—lost by £2 10s. 8d. a week to spend on others. That was too high a price to pay for leisure. She went off to look for another job.

## Airliners Brush Wingtips

A British European Airways Elkanah air liner and an Air France Skyliner brushed wingtips over Paris today, it was learned in London tonight.

Both aircraft were damaged but landed safely.

No passengers or crew were injured. The Elkanah was carrying 23 passengers from London to Paris.

## MISS X WAS

### Testimonial Joke (Carried Too Far) Cost Employer £25

Johannesburg, Aug. 12.

A 17-year-old South African girl sued her former employer for £200 damages for writing a "false, malicious and injurious statement" concerning her.

The written statement complained of by the plaintiff read: "To whom it may concern. This is to certify that Miss X has been in our employ since 1953 to March 31, 1954, to our extreme regret."

"During her employment with this company, she did everything in her power to demoralise our name, way of thinking, at times driving us almost to the verge of insanity."

"Her method of typing and keeping of books was utterly disgraceful. The type of language she used in public was most shocking, resulting in clients taking defamatory action against us with the result that in being sued her damages, we have been driven bankrupt, hence the reason for her termination of service with us, as we found that we were not in a position to support her and her children for maintenance any longer."

"Please do not feel sorry for us as we do not feel sorry for you if you desire to accept her employment. We no longer remain yours faithfully."

"IMMORAL USELESS."

In her summons, the girl said that this statement meant that she was immoral, incompetent and useless in her employment, a menace to the welfare of Miller's business and drove customers away and the mother of illegitimate children. The plaintiff said in evidence that she had asked her employer, Mr. Peter Miller of Miller and Company, for a testimonial and that he handed her a draft of this document.

The Magistrate accepted that the document was concocted in just, but said that it had been carried too far and constituted "injury" to the dignity of the plaintiff.

It awarded her £25 damages plus costs.—France-Press.

## FORCES REGROUP

Hanoi, Aug. 11. Since early today local French Union forces in North Vietnam have all been regrouped within the 60-day zone stipulated in the Geneva cease-fire agreement.

This zone, which consists of Hanoi and its suburbs and the 30 kilometre (about 20 miles) wide corridor leading towards Haiphong.

Hanoi and this corridor must be evacuated by French forces by Oct. 11. After this date only the 300-day zone around Haiphong will be the starting point for the evacuation of French forces from North Vietnam must be completed, in accordance with the Geneva Agreement, by May 22.—France-Press.

## GURKHAS AND SEATO

Katmandu, Aug. 11. The Nepalese Government would like to consider the employment of Gurkhas in the British Army if major hostilities broke out in South-east Asia, Mr. D. R. Regmi, Nepalese Foreign Minister, said here today.

He said he was particularly concerned about the South-east Asia treaty organisation (SEATO) development, because of the presence of a Gurkha brigade with the British Army in Malaya.

He said Nepal was opposed to the proposed SEATO pact. "Thousands of Gurkhas, fierce, stock hill men, fought under British officers in Europe and Asia during the war," he said.

## Five Known Climbers Dead

Chamonix, France, Aug. 11.

Searchers today found the ice-encased bodies of two French mountain climbers on Mont Blanc, bringing the toll of a week-end hail and wind storm on Europe's tallest peak to at least five dead.

The two climbers were members of a three-man party from the Alpine Club of Annecy, France. Other searchers, meanwhile, found two French Alpinists who disappeared at the Aiguille Gropion alive on one of the last platforms of the peak. Almost all hope had been given up for the pair when rescue crews this morning heard cries apparently coming from the summit of the Gropion. The effect of their ordeal, lasting three days and three nights during a furious snowstorm, was not immediately known.

A rescue caravan left immediately to bring back the two survivors.—United Press.

## MPs Come To Blows

Canberra, Aug. 11. The Opposition Labour Party today voted to support a bill to give the Royal Commission on Espionage increased powers after a heated caucus debate in which two members exchanged blows.

According to caucus sources the two men started fighting after a personal exchange, but were quickly separated.

The bill under which three months' imprisonment could be given to anyone refusing to testify before the commission was introduced in Parliament today by the Prime Minister, Robert Menzies.

The commission is investigating allegations by Vladimir Petrov, Soviet diplomat granted asylum in Australia, that there is a Soviet spy network in the country.—Reuter.

## 'Only Dropped Leaflets'

Taipei, Aug. 11. The Chinese Nationalist Air Force headquarters denied here today that its planes had bombed the mainland on two occasions as reported by the Peking radio.

The planes dropped only leaflets and propaganda material, according to an air force spokesman.

The charge was said to be a part of the pressure being exerted on Formosa by Communist China.—France-Press.

## IMPOVERISHED QUEEN

Saligon, Aug. 11. Queen Bapthi, widow of the Emperor Khai Dinh of Vietnam and step-mother of Emperor Bao Dai, has applied for a clerk's job in the Government Foreign Service at Hue which pays \$8,000 a month.

Queen Bapthi, who receives a very small pension at irregular intervals, has been living in extreme poverty. It was learned yesterday morning. The Queen is to be repatriated to Australia.

## SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Yes, it fits perfectly, but you'd better take it in—I'll probably lose a couple of inches worrying about how I'm going to pay for it!"

## Mendes-France Gets Busy With New Plans For EDC

Paris, Aug. 12.

M. Pierre Mendes-France, the Prime Minister, will today present his Cabinet with proposals designed to serve as a basis for a solution of the European Army problem.

This was disclosed last night after a three-hour Cabinet meeting. Usually well-informed sources said there was a general discussion of European problems, including those connected with the European Army Treaty. No new proposals were discussed.

Ministers who took part in the discussion included General Pierre Koeng, Gaullist Minister of Defence and leading opponent of ratification of the treaty, and Maurice Bourges Maunoury, Radical Minister of Industry and Commerce, a leading advocate of ratification. These two have for weeks been trying to work out a compromise between them.

### BASIS FOR TALKS

The proposals which M. Mendes-France will make will be intended as a basis for discussion, these sources said. A further Cabinet meeting may be held before they are put into final form and formally approved by the Council of Ministers toward the end of the week.

The French proposals will then be communicated probably on Saturday or Sunday, to the other five signatories of the treaty so that they can be studied before the meeting of the six powers in Brussels on August 19, which M. Mendes-France plans to attend.

The Ministers, the sources said, were unanimous that the debate on ratification of the European Army Treaty should begin in the National Assembly on August 24 as planned.—Reuter.

## European Seeks Repatriation

Stephen Gordon Ray, 47, unemployed, of Wales was ordered to be committed to the House of Detention pending appropriate arrangements for his repatriation, to Australia, after pleading guilty to a charge of vagrancy.

Inspector J. D. Carty said Ray had been in Hongkong for about five years and had been working on ships. Four months ago, he became unemployed and surrendered himself at the Central Police Station on Wednesday morning. He claimed to be repatriated to Australia.

## CALL TO YOSHIDA TO RESIGN

### Socialists' Strong Attack

Tokyo, Aug. 11.

The combined Left and Right Socialist Parties today strongly demanded Premier Shigeru Yoshida's resignation and said a prolonged stay in office by the Premier would bring catastrophe to Japan.

Delegates of the two Socialist Parties carried a joint resolution to the chief Cabinet Secretary, Kenji Fukunaga. The resolution called on Mr. Yoshida to resign immediately.

This latest political battle followed Mr. Yoshida's declaration on Tuesday that the recent bribery scandals involving several of his top Liberal Party lieutenants were the outcome of "wild and groundless rumours" hatched up by the press.

Yoshida was also shown a bit of responsibility over the unprecedented scandals. Not only this, he has tried to throw the blame on others. To leave such an impudent and shameless Prime Minister in power further of a time when the people are clamouring for clean politics... means nothing else but the affirmation of the administration's rotten political dealings.

Further criticism of Mr. Yoshida was also voiced in non-political quarters. A woman critic, Yoko Matsuo, commented: "If Yoshida really believes what he said, it is horrible beyond contemplation. If he said it on purpose, from political motives, then he is a clever, conceited man who is under an illusion that he can deceive the people so easily."

### 'CHURCHILL OF JAPAN'

Further saying Mr. Yoshida, Miss Matsuo said the Japanese Prime Minister thought he was the "Churchill of Japan" but his undemocratic ways had clearly proven that he was a far cry from the British Prime Minister.

A prominent literary critic, Hideo Nomura, denounced Mr. Yoshida with the charge that the Prime Minister committed an "outright atrocity" in attempting to blame the press. "I doubt the common sense of Yoshida," said Nomura, "when he uttered those irresponsible words. Yoshida has tried to put the blame of the scandals on the press. It's an outright atrocity."—United Press.

## R.C.M.P. Guard For The Royal Yacht

Quebec, Aug. 11. A guard of Royal Canadian mounted police, Canadian Navy and Royal Navy personnel has been set up around the docks here where the Royal yacht Britannia is berthed.

The Britannia, escorted by the Canadian destroyer Mimac, arrived here late yesterday from Montreal. The public will not be allowed on board or near the vessel while she is in Quebec.

The 4,000-ton yacht will be in port until Friday when she leaves for Goose Bay, Labrador, to pick up the Duke of Edinburgh after his tour of Northern Quebec. The yacht will sail for England on August 17, China Mail Special.

## U.S. & Rhodesia Buy Viscounts

Washington, Aug. 11. Capital Airlines today announced the purchase of 37 British manufactured propeller turbine four-engine planes for use in its passenger fleet. The President of the Capital Airlines, Mr. J. H. Carmichael, announced that the company had taken up its option to buy 37 Viscount Viscount aircraft and in addition had taken out an option to buy 21 more.—Reuter.

Salisbury, 8. Rhodesia, Aug. 11.

The Colonial Development Corporation is to provide 1,700,000 for the purchase of new Viscount Viscount aircraft by the Central African Airways.

This was disclosed today when the Federal Assembly held the first reading of a bill to guarantee repayment of principal, interest and other charges of the loans by the British Government.

A contract for the purchase of the planes, which are to be delivered in 1956, was signed last week.—China Mail Special.

## Mail Notices

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By Air Mail, 8 a.m.  
By Surface, 10 a.m.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 13  
By Air, 8 a.m.  
By Surface, 10 a.m.

Philippines, 8 a.m.  
Thailand, 8 a.m.  
India, 8 a.m.  
Ceylon, 8 a.m.  
Pakistan, 8 a.m.  
Middle East, 8 a.m.  
Great Britain & Europe, 10 a.m.  
Formosa, 10 a.m.  
Korea, 10 a.m.  
Japan, 10 a.m.  
Siam, 10 a.m.  
Burma, 10 a.m.  
Malaya, 10 a.m.  
New Zealand, 10 a.m.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 14  
By Air, 8 a.m.  
By Surface, 10 a.m.

Japan, 8 a.m.  
Korea, 8 a.m.  
USA, 8 a.m.  
Canada, 8 a.m.  
Burma, 8 a.m.  
Philippines, 8 a.m.  
Thailand, 8 a.m.  
India, 8 a.m.  
Ceylon, 8 a.m.  
Pakistan, 8 a.m.  
Middle East, 8 a.m.  
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Formosa, 10 a.m.  
Korea, 10 a.m.  
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Burma, 10 a.m.  
Malaya, 10 a.m.  
New Zealand, 10 a.m.

## Four Weeks' Gaal For Mischief

Annoyed by a friend's demand for the return of a 10-year old debt, a 37-year-old bamboo worker, Lam, was fined four weeks' imprisonment for mischief.

Police by telling them that he had been robbed of \$3 by three unknown Chinese men. After extensive enquiries and questioning the defendant admitted that the report was false. This morning Lam was sentenced to four weeks' hard labour by Mr. Lawrence Leong at Central for public mischief. He was also fined an additional \$100 or two weeks for breach of bond.

Det. Sub-Ins. G. Ferguson told the Court that on August 5, the defendant told a police corporal that he had been robbed of \$3 by three unknown Chinese men in Gilman Street. The defendant also reported that one of the men had struck him in the chest.

When this was reported to Central Police Station, road blocks were set up. The defendant was medically examined but nothing was found.

After lengthy questioning by the Police the defendant told them that his report was false. It was learnt that earlier that day, one of the defendant's friends had come up to him and demanded the return of a 10-year old debt. The defendant gave his friend \$3 and out of anger made a false report to the Police.

### Limped To Church

Brisbane, Aug. 11. Three hours after being taken bleeding and unconscious from a crashed car, John Dunn, 38, limped painfully up the aisle to marry Jill Burke.

"I've waited five years to be married and this isn't going to stop me," he said from a stretcher after regaining consciousness at Brisbane General Hospital.

He had his cuts stitched and abrasions dressed. He said he had his clothes changed for him because he was too sore to move—and went to the church for the ceremony.—China Mail Special.

## New Plan To Smash Smuggling Of Diamonds

Johannesburg, Aug. 12. In an endeavour to throttle the illicit diamond traffic which is seriously worrying the police of the world legislation tightening the control of the precious stones will probably be introduced at the next session of the South African Parliament.

It is understood that a Bill to amend the Diamond Cutting Act is at present being drafted and several changes—all directed at stricter control—have been suggested.

Chief of the Criminal Investigation Branch and master diamond cutters have been collaborating in trying to frame regulations that will be leak-proof.

The extent of the illicit trade in diamond is causing grave concern to producers and middlemen.

### PLAN DISCUSSED

A plan to take international action was discussed at the Inter-Diamond Manufacturers' Association conference in Antwerp, Belgium, last month. Sir Percy Shillito, former head of the British Secret Service, who was called in by Sir Ernest Oppenheimer to study the world-wide diamond smuggling operations, is believed to have suggested that an international private detective corps be formed to fight the racketeers.

Diamond smuggling has increased enormously during the past 18 months, according to Sir Percy, who is said to advocate the sealing off of illicit trade at the sources.

Tighter control in the Union appears to be the first move in this direction.—France-Press.

## Princess Margaret Gets A Rolls

London, Aug. 11. Princess Margaret has just got a Rolls Royce all her own—a big black limousine with sliding shutters for times when she wants to be alone.

Its gadgets also include radio controls in the arm rest and air conditioning. The royal cars never have any regular ventilation because the windows cannot be opened.

But the main feature about the new car, which will cost the Princess about £7,000, is its provision for seclusion. On public occasions the Royal Family must always be as clearly in view as possible so the cars have over-sized windows, glass roof panels and raised seats. One such car used to be referred to by teenage Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret as "our travelling hothouse."

She needed a new car of her own because complications were arising at Clarence House, the London residence, she shares with her mother, Queen Elizabeth. Often each Royal lady had a different engagement at the same time so two limousines would be needed and not always available if one car happened to be under repair.

The Princess would have a telephone in the garage at Buckingham Palace to see if one of the Queen's limousines could be spared. And that was not always convenient.—United Press.

## One Accused Dismissed

Chan Lau-chun, 24, of 181, Gloucester Road, charged with possession of radio-communication apparatus without a licence, was acquitted by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning when the Prosecution offered no evidence against her.

Testing of the case against another accused, Choi Ching-nak, manager of the Kam Moon Ballroom, Jordan Road, charged with the same offence, was fixed for November 10, at 11.30.

Choi was represented by Mr. K. Y. Yung, and is on \$5,000 bail. He is alleged to have had a large quantity of radio-communication apparatus at No. 181, Gloucester Road, and was on August 5.

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